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Office Action Summary

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☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on May 4, 1998

☐ This action is **FINAL**.

☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, **prosecution as to the merits is closed** in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11; 453 O.G. 213.

A shortened statutory period for response to this action is set to expire three month(s), or thirty days, whichever is longer, from the mailing date of this communication. Failure to respond within the period for response will cause the application to become abandoned. (35 U.S.C. § 133). Extensions of time may be obtained under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Disposition of Claims

☒ Claim(s) 76-100 is/are pending in the application.

Of the above, claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.

☒ Claim(s) 77-100 is/are allowed.

☒ Claim(s) 76 is/are rejected.

☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.

☐ Claims _____ are subject to restriction or election requirement.

Application Papers

☐ See the attached Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948.

☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are objected to by the Examiner.

☐ The proposed drawing correction, filed on _____ is ☐ approved ☐ disapproved.

☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.

☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

☐ Acknowledgement is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d).

☐ All ☐ Some* ☐ None of the CERTIFIED copies of the priority documents have been

☐ received.

☐ received in Application No. (Series Code/Serial Number) _____.

☐ received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

*Certified copies not received: _____.

☐ Acknowledgement is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e).

Attachment(s)

☐ Notice of References Cited, PTO-892

☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s), PTO-1449, Paper No(s). _____

☐ Interview Summary, PTO-413

☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948

☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application, PTO-152

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Receipt of the amendment filed 08/26/98 is acknowledged.

The following is new ground of rejection.

Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. § 112

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Claim ~~76~~ is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, as based on a disclosure which is not enabling. The substantial cut lines and thought-cut lines disclosed in the specification page 1, lines 21-26 and page 4, lines 3-5 are critical or essential to the practice of the invention, but not included in the claim(s) is not enabled by the disclosure. See *In re Mayhew*, 527 F.2d 1229, 188 USPQ 356 (CCPA 1976). In claim 76 there is only recited one type of cut namely the substantial cut lines. In the claim line 9, it is states that after said forming step (i.e. forming the separation lines such as substantial cut lines) the single-sheet construction printable sheet is passed through a printer or copier and thereby printing indicia on the sheet portions. Applicant's attention is drawn to the fact that the sheet is provided two types of cuts substantial cut lines and a through cut lines and that these cut lines provides the card stock sheet with sufficient integrity to reliably pass through the printer without breaking apart. See Specification page 4 , lines 3-4. Since these two cut lines provides integrity of the sheet to pass through the printer the substantial cut lines and through cut lines have to be included in the claim.

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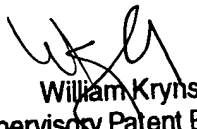
~~85-100~~
Claims ~~77-100~~ are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

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